

HOUSE BILL 2552
By Vincent

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, to authorize the issuance of "MAKUS Buckle Up! Drive Safely!" new specialty earmarked license plates.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-4-202(c)(7), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

() MAKUS Buckle Up! Drive Safely!;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 4, Part 2, is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated section:

(a) Owners or lessees of motor vehicles who are residents of Tennessee, upon complying with state motor vehicle laws relating to registration and licensing of motor vehicles and paying the regular fee applicable to the motor vehicle and the fee provided for in § 55-4-203, shall be issued a "MAKUS Buckle Up! Drive Safely!" new specialty earmarked license plate for a motor vehicle authorized by § 55-4-210(c).

(b) The new specialty earmarked license plates provided for in this section shall contain the logo of the MAKUS (Michael Appleby Keeping Us Safe) Buckle Up Program. Such plates shall be designed in consultation with a representative of the MAKUS (Michael Appleby Keeping Us Safe) Buckle Up Program.

(c) Funds produced from the sale of "MAKUS Buckle Up! Drive Safely!" new specialty earmarked license plates shall be allocated to the MAKUS (Michael Appleby Keeping Us Safe) Buckle Up Program in accordance with the provisions of § 55-4-215. Such funds shall be utilized by the MAKUS (Michael Appleby Keeping Us Safe) Buckle Up Program, a driver safety program for teenagers in Chattanooga, to further its mission of promoting driver safety among teenage drivers and increasing awareness among all

drivers, but especially teenagers, of the importance of always wearing one's seat belt while driving or riding in a motor vehicle.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2004, the public welfare requiring it.